

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 8 and 13-15. Please also amend claims 1-7 and 9-12, and add new claims 16-21, as shown in the complete list of claims that is presented below.

1. (currently amended) A data communication device for use by a person to communicate via e-mail messages having a first portion that includes a message ID and having a second portion that includes data, said data communication device comprising:
 a sending section for sending e-mail messages that identify e-mail messages sent by the person and for storing the message IDs of the sent e-mail messages,
 a ~~[[data]]~~ receiving section for receiving ~~data,~~ e-mail messages,
 ~~at least one data~~ an outputting section for ~~putting out said data~~ outputting e-mail messages received by the receiving section,
 an ~~[[its]]~~ own information detecting section for detecting information which indicates that the person was the sender of said data is the sender of an original e-mail message in a received e-mail message, by detecting whether the data in the second portion of the received e-mail message includes a message ID that matches a stored message ID, and
 a controlling section for ~~limiting output of said data to said data~~ what is outputted by the outputting section when said its if the own information detecting section ~~detected said information indicating~~ detects that the person was the sender of said data is the sender, the received e-mail message,
 wherein the own information detecting section judges that the person was the sender of the received e-mail message if the data in the second portion of the received e-mail message includes one of the stored message IDs.

2. (currently amended) A data communication device according to Claim 1, wherein said ~~[[data]]~~ outputting section ~~[[is]]~~ comprises a ~~presenting~~ display section.

3. (currently amended) A data communication device according to Claim 1, wherein said ~~[[data]]~~ outputting section ~~[[is]]~~ comprises a printing section.

4. (currently amended) A data communication device according to Claim ~~[[1;]]~~ 1, wherein said controlling section ~~does not put out said data to~~ keeps said outputting section, ~~[[when]]~~ section from outputting the data in the second portion of the received e-mail message if said ~~[[its]]~~ own information detecting section detects ~~detected said information~~ indicating that the person was the sender of said data is the sender ~~the received e-mail message~~ message.

5. (currently amended) A data communication device according to Claim ~~[[4;]]~~ 4, wherein said data is contained in a containing area of a memory, and said controlling section deletes said data from said containing area when the controlling section ~~does not put out said data to the data~~ keeps the outputting section from outputting said data.

6. (currently amended) A data communication device according to Claim 1, further comprising an error detecting section for detecting information in the received e-mail message which indicates that an error in communication of said data ~~was committed, has occurred, and~~ wherein said controlling section limits output ~~content~~ of said data, when an error ~~[[was]]~~ has been detected by said error detecting section and ~~an information indicating that the sender of said data is the sender was detected by~~ said ~~[[its]]~~ own information detecting section detects that the person was the sender of the received e-mail message.

7. (currently amended) A data communication device according to Claim 6, wherein said error detecting section extracts the communication error information from ~~[[said]]~~ [[data,]] the first portion of the received e-mail message, so as to ~~[[put]]~~ output it ~~[[out]]~~ to said controlling section, and

said controlling section ~~puts out~~ outputs the communication error information inputted from said error detecting section to said outputting section, ~~[[when]]~~ if an error was detected by said error detecting section and ~~an information indicating that the sender of said data is the sender was detected by~~ said ~~[[its]]~~ own information detecting section detects that the person was the sender of the received e-mail message.

Claim 8 (cancelled).

9. (currently amended) A data communication device according to Claim 6, wherein ~~said data receiving section is an electronic mail receiving section for receiving electronic mails, further comprising~~ the sending section comprises a sending information managing section for attaching the first portion of an e-mail message to the second portion thereof when the person sends an e-mail. ~~an individual information of said data, which is used by said its own information detecting section, so as to judge whether said data contains the information indicating that the sender of the data is the sender or not, wherein~~

~~said controlling section does not put out said data to said outputting section, when an error was detected by said error detecting section and an information indicating that the sender of said data is the sender was detected by said its own information detecting section.~~

10. (currently amended) A data communication device according to Claim ~~[[9,]]~~ 6, further comprising:

a text searching section for searching part of text from said data, ~~wherein~~
wherein said controlling section ~~puts out the~~ outputs a part of text ~~and error information~~ which is contained in said data, when an error was detected by said error detecting section and ~~an information indicating that the sender of said data is the sender was detected by said~~ [[its]] own information detecting section detects that the person was the sender of the received e-mail message.

11. (currently amended) A data communication device according to Claim 10, further comprising:

an attached file searching section for searching part of an attached file from said data, ~~wherein~~

wherein said controlling section ~~puts out~~ outputs the part of text, a name of attached file, ~~and error information,~~ which is contained in said data; ~~when data,~~ if an error was detected by said error detected section, ~~an information indicating that the sender of said data is the~~

~~sender was detected by said [[its]] own information detecting section~~ detects that the person was the sender of the received e-mail message, and at least one file was attached to said data.

12. (currently amended) A data communication device according to Claim 11, further comprising

a decoding section for decoding an encoded file after detecting ~~[[the]]~~ an encoding formula of the file attached to said data, ~~wherein~~

wherein said controlling section ~~puts out~~ outputs a ~~[[the]]~~ part of text, the content decoded from the attached file, ~~and error information~~, which is contained in said data; ~~when data, if an error was detected by said error detecting section, an information indicating that the sender of said data is the sender was detected by said [[its]] own information detecting section~~ detects that the person was the sender of the received e-mail message, and at least one file was attached to said data.

Claims 13-15 (cancelled).

16. (new) A data communication device according to Claim 1, wherein the message ID includes a time, a date, and a sender's e-mail address.

17. (new) A data communication device according to Claim 1, wherein the controlling section includes a text searching section to search the data in the second portion of the received e-mail message for text, and wherein the controlling section limits what is output by the outputting section to any text detected by the text searching section if the own information detecting section detects that the person was the sender of the received e-mail message.

18. (new) A data communication device for use by a person to communicate via e-mail messages having a first portion that includes a message ID and having a second portion that includes data, said data communication device comprising:

a sending section for sending e-mail messages sent by the person,

a receiving section for receiving e-mail messages,
an outputting section for outputting e-mail messages received by the receiving section,
an own information detecting section for detecting information which indicates that the person was the sender of an original e-mail message in a received e-mail message, by detecting whether the data in the second portion of the received e-mail message includes a message ID that matches a stored message ID,
an encoded part searching section for searching the data in the second portion of the received e-mail message for encoded data and encoding method information,
a decoding section to decode encoded data, and
a controlling section for controlling the decoding section to decode any encoded data in the second portion of the received e-mail message on the basis of encoded method information in the second portion of the received e-mail message if the own information detecting section detects that the person was the sender of the received e-mail message, and for controlling the outputting section to output the decoded data.

19. (new) A data communication device according to Claim 18, further comprising a text searching section for searching the data in the second portion of the received e-mail message for text, and wherein the controlling section controls the outputting section to output any text detected in the second portion of the received e-mail message.

20. (new) A data communication device according to Claim 18, wherein the data in the second portion of the received e-mail message includes an attached file and the received e-mail message includes information advising that the received e-mail message was originally sent by the person but was not delivered to its intended recipient due to an error.

20. (new) A data communication device according to Claim 18, the message ID includes a time, a date, and a sender's e-mail address.